IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 3733
Gall et al.) Examiner: Merene, Jan Christopher
Serial No.: 10/598,080)) AMENDMENT AND DECRONGE TO
Filed: August 17, 2006) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO) NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF
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Dear Sir:

This correspondence is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action having a mailing date of February 22, 2010. In addition, this correspondence contains a summary of the inperson interview with Examiner Merene on July 6, 2010.

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The due date for responding to the Office Action was May 22, 2010. Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time to respond, thereby extending the due date for filing a response to July 22, 2010. Please charge the extension fee of \$245 to Deposit Account No. 502775. It is not believed that any additional fees are due in connection with this correspondence. However, any necessary additional fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 502775.